

**County Council Meeting  
April 21, 2015**

**Present: Todd Ruxer, Dave Kress, Blake Bunner, Jack Kroeger, Steve Winsett, Bill Spaetti, Aaron Benton, Attorney John Wetherill, Auditor Autumn Winkler**

*Meeting was called to order by President Bill Spaetti at 5:30 P.M.*

**Minutes**

*Benton made a motion to approve the minutes from Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion was approved.*

*Kroeger made a motion to approve the minutes from Mar. 17<sup>th</sup>, with the addition of the motion about chairs. Kress seconded the motion, motion was approved.*

**Additional Appropriations**

**Riverboat                      \$9,000.00**

*Commissioner Gogel addressed the council about the \$9,000.00 additional appropriation. A portion of this additional is needed to survey the Troy Refinery property so we can proceed with the steps necessary to sell the property. We anticipate a cost of around \$5,000.00 for surveying services. The remaining \$4,000.00 additional is required to pay for investigative services for the radio interference. The county has been told that if we find out who is causing the interference, they can be required to reimburse us the cost of locating the problem. Kroeger made a motion to approve the \$9,000.00. Kress seconded the motion, motion was approved.*

**Cum Cap – Sheriff Vehicles    \$78,000.00**

*Sheriff McDurmon is requesting an additional appropriation of \$78,000.00 to purchase a new car, truck, and SUV. This request will make it possible to continue his rotation of eliminating the older vehicles. McDurmon has obtained bids and plans to purchase a Ford Taurus, Ford Explorer, and a Dodge Truck. Spaetti suggested McDurmon check with Sternberg Dodge on a price for the truck to see if they were competitive or would match Expressway. McDurmon stated he would gladly check with Sternberg Dodge. Bunner made a motion to approve the \$78,000.00. Benton seconded the motion, motion was approved.*

**911 Agreement Funding**

*Spaetti contacted Attorney Lindsey about the 911 agreement and pending legislation, which has not been passed yet. Lindsey advised the council to determine what amount they wish to contribute and advertise for an additional appropriation for May. He will solicit proposals from local banks on financing and rates for the remaining balance.*

**Tom Utter- Countywide Study**

*The Spencer County Catalyst Group came before the council to present a proposal from Robert L Siegel & Associates, Inc. to examine the demand for new construction development in Spencer County. They feel that not only does Spencer County need to develop jobs, but also affordable housing to draw in new residents and keep our youth here. The Catalyst Group is requesting an additional appropriation of \$5,000.00 for the consulting company to proceed with this study. After speaking with the consulting group and Jagoe Homes, the Catalyst Group feels very confident this is something we need in Spencer County. Spaetti suggested to the LEDC that the county advertise for this additional out of the COIT Fund, due to it being infrastructure. Benton ask if the Catalyst Group had any money to put towards this study and Lindsey stated the LEDC had \$1,500.00 they could contribute to this study. After further discussion, all were in agreement to advertise for a \$3,500.00 additional appropriation from COIT for the May meeting.*

**Natalie Bolin – Drug Free Community**

Bolin came before the council to inform them that the grant request submitted to State has been approved and to request the additional appropriation of funds. She presented a breakdown of the grant money for council review. The request was submitted to the Auditor’s Office after the date for publication, so this request for additional will have to take place at the May meeting. The council will take action on this in May and Auditor Winkler will stand in on Bolin’s behalf at that meeting.

**Old Business**

**Luce Sewer**

Winsett asked board member Alan Stephens how things were going with the sewer district and Stephens stated money wise things were going pretty good. Boonville Boat Club has had some issues with water getting in the system, due to the river rising. The sewer district superintendent has informed the board that the system has run 3 times as much as it normally takes to run the whole system, due to river water. Stephens stated they are going to try and do some smoke testing to find the problems. They are currently working on getting a new loan for the sewer district, to get out from under some restrictions with their current loan. Patmore has been checking with a few banks and they feel they have something worked out that will work better for them.

**New Business**

**Budget Hearings**

Spaetti wanted to work on scheduling budget hearings for August. Benton suggested August 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup> and all were in agreement that those dates would work.

Kress made a motion to adjourn. Benton seconded the motion, motion was approved.  
Meeting was adjourned at 6:54 P.M.

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President

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Auditor, Autumn Winkler

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